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I know I'm late already so let's get straight to the news and information:

- 1) Adult Prices - Adult meals cannot be subsidized with federal funds; therefore, teachers and other staff members must be charged a higher price than students even if the meal is exactly the same. Schools have the option of charging all a la carte prices or setting an adult unit price for the whole meal. If you are using a set price, an adult meal should be the total of the student price plus the paid meal price reimbursement rate plus the per meal commodity allocation plus sales tax. Here is an example: \$2.50 (student price) + \$.26 (paid meal reimbursement rate) + \$.2225 = \$2.9825 (subtotal) = \$3.00 lunch price + \$.18 (6% sales tax) = \$3.18 (\$3.18 would be the minimum – adjust as needed). At schools with tier pricing, use the highest tier price in your calculations.
- 2) Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) – I know it is only December, but it is not too early to be thinking about being a sponsor or site for the SFSP. During the summer, many low income students don't have all of the food necessary for good health. This is an excellent opportunity to help fill the void many students experience during the summer when school meals are not available. If you are interested in participating, contact Bryan VanDorn, Consultant, at 517-373-0107 or vandornb1@michigan.gov.

Sorry for the short update. We will have more next week.

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